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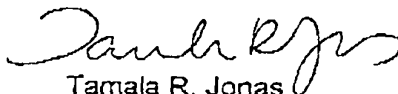
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PATENT SPECIFICATION

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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

Doll.

I, MILES OVERHOLT, of 132, North Broadway, Los Angeles, State of California, United States of America, a citizen of the United States of America, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

It is the object of this invention to provide a doll adapted to form either a single relatively large doll, or such a doll and a plurality of smaller dolls.

The invention contemplates the provision of a structure including the trunk and head of a doll and detachable limb forming members which when detached will have the appearance of smaller dolls.

The invention will be readily understood from the following description of the accompanying drawings, in which

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a device constructed in accordance with the invention and showing the limb members secured to the doll trunk;

Figure 2 is an enlarged elevation of a portion of the doll structure with the dress of the same removed;

Figure 3 is a view showing the attachment of the arm doll to the trunk by hooks and eyes.

The doll includes a trunk and a head portion which may be formed of suitable fabric material suitably stuffed. This trunk and head portion is shown as comprising the torso 1 and the head 2.

The arms for the trunk of the doll are shown as members 3 which are preferably also formed of fabric suitably stuffed and arranged to form separate smaller doll structures including the heads 4.

The head members are suitably painted or otherwise decorated upon one side to represent the back of the hands for the larger doll structure, and on their opposite sides are formed as the faces for the smaller dolls. The smaller doll structures are detachably connected to the torso of

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the larger doll. The arm members as thus provided by the smaller dolls are so connected that when hanging from the larger doll structure, the size of head members 4 representing the back of hands will be turned outwardly.

The leg members for the larger doll are shown as doll structures 7 including heads 8 and preferably formed of fabric suitably stuffed. Arms 9 are provided for the doll structures 7 and are suitably swingably connected to the bodies of said smaller doll structures.

A second pair of the smaller dolls are preferably suspended from the ones which are attached to the body of the larger doll structure, and for this purpose the lower ends of the first set of smaller dolls 7 are adapted to engage the arms of the second set of smaller dolls 7 in order that this second set may be suspended in manner similar to that previously described. The connections between the first and second sets of smaller dolls 7 will thus form the knee joints for the legs of the larger doll structure.

The body of the larger doll structure may be provided with a suitable dress 13, and the smaller dolls 3 and 7 are provided with dresses 14, of the same material, so that when the complete larger doll structure is assembled, as just described, a complete dress will be formed for the doll.

The dress 13 is preferably provided with a flaring portion 15 at its lower end which, when the first set of depending dolls 7 is in position, will overlie the heads and arms of the depending smaller dolls. In similar manner the lower ends of the dresses 14 for the first set of smaller dolls are provided with flaring portions 16 adapted to overlie the heads and arms of the second set of depending dolls 7 when the latter are in position.

While the detachable doll bodies may be quickly connected in several different ways, a simple means for enabling quick

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attachment and detachment of the sub-
bodies or smaller dolls consists in provid-
ing the abutting joint faces with mag-
netic devices. For instance, there may be
5 mounted in the doll body 1 substantially
magnetized blocks 10, and upon the con-
tiguous heads of the smaller bodies there
may be provided magnetic caps or head
10 pieces 11 so that when the smaller body
is adjusted at the joint forming position
upon the larger body the two structures
will be held in attached relation by the
magnetic elements.

It is understood that if desired the
smaller doll bodies may be attached to
each other and certain of the bodies may
be attached to the trunk by hook and eye,
ball and socket, or other suitable tem-
20 porary fastening means as is indicated in
Figure 3.

It will thus be seen that I have pro-
vided an extremely simple structure
whereby a child is provided with either
25 a single doll structure, or with such a
doll and a plurality of smaller doll
members.

Further, embodiments, modifications
and changes may be resorted to within
30 the spirit of the invention as here
claimed.

Having now particularly described and
ascertained the nature of my said inven-
tion and in what manner the same is
to be performed, I declare that what I
35 claim is:-

1. A doll comprising a trunk, and
limbs having hook and eye connections
with said trunk and formed as separate
40 dolls:

2. A doll comprising a trunk member,
separate limb members formed as mini-
ature dolls, and cooperating means for

connecting the respective members in
readily detachable relation.

3. A doll comprising a trunk, detach- 45
able limb members formed of separate
dolls, and means for detachably and
swingably connecting the limbs to the
trunk.

4. A doll comprising a trunk, detach- 50
able members, and means for connecting
the members to the trunk, said members
forming separate dolls when detached
from the trunk.

5. A doll comprising a trunk, a mem- 55
ber formed as a miniature doll, means
for swingably and detachably connecting
the member to the trunk so that the
member may be swung across the body
and supported as a smaller doll, or may 60
hang at one side as an arm, the end of
said member appearing as a hand upon
one side and as a head for the smaller doll
upon its opposite side.

6. A doll comprising a trunk, smaller 65
dolls having arms, and means for detach-
ably and swingably connecting the arms
of the smaller dolls to the trunk to
depend as legs.

7. A doll comprising a trunk, smaller 70
dolls having arms, means for detachably
and swingably connecting the arms of the
smaller dolls to the trunk to form legs
for the trunk, and a dress upon the trunk
and arranged to overlie the arms and 75
heads of the smaller dolls when the latter
are arranged as legs.

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